

# **GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**

## **A B S T R A C T**

P.S - Revenue Department - Case registered by ACB against Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur and others on the irregularities alleged to have committed by him while payment of ex gratia to the beneficiaries while acquiring lands for multipurpose SEZ in SRSP Nellore Dist- - Disciplinary action initiated against Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur -Charges framed-Explanation submitted- Further action dropped- Orders - Issued.

## **REVENUE (VIGILANCE-III) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.Rt.No. 1626

Dated:09-11-2013

### **Read the following:**

1. From the DG, ACB, Hyd Rc No.12/RCO-NNL/2010/S/-16, dt.5-2-2010.
  2. From the DG, ACB, Hyd Rc No.12/RCO-NNL/2010/S/-16, dt.11-8-2011.
  3. Govt Memo No.4805/Vig.III(1)/2010-6,dt.23-4-2012
  4. From the DG, ACB, Hyd Rc No.12/RCO-NNL/2010/S/-16, dt.15-7-2013.
  5. G.O.Rt. No. 1286, Rev (Vig.III) Dept., Dated: 17-8-2013.
  6. From Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur, SPSR  
Nellore Dist explanation dt.2-9-2013.

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## ORDER:

In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, the DG, ACB, Hyd has submitted final report on the irregularities alleged to have taken place in payment of ex-gratia to the beneficiaries while acquiring land in five villages i.e., Kothapatnam, Siddavaram and Karlapudi villages of Kota Mandal and East Kanapur and Vellapalem villages of Chillakur Mandal of SPSR Nellore Dist for multipurpose Special Economic Zone.

2. After careful examination of the matter, Govt have decided to initiate departmental action against Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur and accordingly articles of charges were framed against him vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above calling for his explanation on the allegation that he has committed grave misconduct in as much as that he paid Rs.83,91,000/- as exgratia to few persons other than the original assignees and also paid exgratia to few persons who are other than the legal heirs of respective original beneficiaries. It was also alleged that he paid Rs.1,50,100/- as exgratia to Smt Gudi Laxamamma w/o Chengaiah towards the resumption of land to the extent of 0.79cts in Sy No.161-17 of East Kanapur Village though she is entitled to get Rs.3,80,000/- as exgratia as she holds Ac.2.00 of land of assigned land.

3. In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur has submitted explanation. He has stated that he joined as Revenue Divisional Officer, Gudur on 25.06.2008. He was given a target of acquiring and resuming of 5400 Acres of patta / DKT lands for Krishnapatnam SEZ in East Kanupur, Vellapalem Villages in Chillakur Mandal and Karlapudi, Siddavaram, Kothapatnam villages in Kota Mandal by the end of September-2008. He has stated that he obtained reports from Tahsildar, Chillakur and Kota and processed the L.A. / resumption work in most transparent way by conducting gram sabhas at every stage by issuing notices to all the affected / interested persons. He has further submitted that a/c payee cheques were issued to bonafide beneficiaries in the Gram sabhas and that there were no complaints from any quarter for almost one year. The impersonation of four beneficiaries came to light in the ACB enquiry and criminal cases are booked in Gudur P.S. against the impersonators as they have cheated the officials and obtained cheques in Gram Sabha.

4. He has submitted that in some cases the names of original assignees from whom land resumed and the names of LR beneficiary to whom a/c payee cheques issued were mismatched in ex-gratia proceedings. But in Gramsabha the a/c payee cheque was issued to right person under proper acquittance. The same facts were explained to enquiry officer in detail, but without considering the clerical error, it is concluded that ex-gratia was paid to wrong persons. He has submitted that the responsibility of Land Acquisition Officer is to give compensation to eligible beneficiaries and he has given a/c payee cheques in

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Gramsabhas in the presence of hundreds of people, Tahsildar, public representatives. He shall have no control over the things happened outside. He has stated that there is no single complaint of either demanding of accepting illegal gratification by him. He has therefore submitted that the enquiry officer's attempt to fix up responsibility on him for the outside transactions is not correct. Finally he has stated that during the investigation, the ACB has not examined the original beneficiaries who submitted all documents like DKT pattas, PPB/TDs etc. Further the new claimants not produced a single scrap of documents insupport of their claim. He has stated that without examining all the above facts, it was concluded that exgratia was paid to other than original assignee. He has finally stated that charge No.I is not based on facts and records and hence is baseless. With regard to charge No.II he has stated that the Tahsildar has submitted proposals for resumption of 0.79 Acres in Sy.No.161-17 of East Kanupur village vide Roc B/193/2008, dt.29.08.2008, which was assigned to Gudi Chenchaiah vide DKT No.811/78. Accordingly ex-gratia was paid to the deceased assignee's wife Gudi Laxmamma. The Tahsildar has not submitted any further proposals in her name and the said Gudi Laxmamma never filed any claim along with supportive document before him. She tried to make benefit out of turmoil caused by ACB enquiry. He has stated that at any rate LAO cannot be hold responsible for not paying ex-gratia for the land not proposed by Tahsildar for resumption. Without knowing the factual position of existing status of the land in question the enquiry officer concluded that he has not paid ex-gratia for Ac.2.00 in Sy.No.161P to Gudi Laxmamma. He has therefore stated that the article of charge-II is also baseless and not based on records. He has finally requested to drop further action in the matter.

5. After careful examination of the matter, Govt have observed that the RDO conducted Gram Sabha and decided eligibility of all beneficiaries. A/c payee cheques were issued to beneficiaries in Gram Sabhas in the presence of officials, public and VROs who identifies them, duly verifying the connected records. Allegations raised after more than one year from distribution of cheques are not substantiated by documentary proof. The VRO identifies the beneficiaries but not at RDO level. The Tahsildar, Chillakur has issued a nativity certificate to Sri Mallugunta Subbaiah on the recommendation of VRO. But the same was delivered to another person Sri Penubaka Muthyalaiah of same village. Later the said person has affixed his photo and got attested by Tahsildar with an ill motive for which MRI and RDO are not responsible. Hence, Govt have decided to drop further action against Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur. Accordingly further action is hereby dropped against Sri Y. Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.R. MEENA  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,  
Sri Y.Ramachandra Reddy, formerly RDO, Gudur  
(Through the CCLA, Hyd)  
The Chief Commissioner of Land administration,  
A.P., Hyderabad

Copy to:

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau,  
Hyderabad.

The District Collector, SPSR Nellore.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,  
AP Vigilance Commission, Secretariat,  
Hyderabad

The file C.No.4805/Vig.III(1)/2010.

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SECTION OFFICER